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REPORTS NEW FISH COMBINE;
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LARGE FISH-PROCESSING COMBINE -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 6 Dec 50

A large fish-processing combine which will greatly improve the population's supply of fresh and smoked fish, as well as of canned fish, is under construction in Sassnitz. In addition to modern port facilities for about 200 cutters, several factories will be built for processing the fish from the North Sea and the Baltic Sea. A new hall with modern unloading equipment is to be finished soon.

A new ice plant whose output will be used to keep the fish fresh until it can be shipped inland is being built. Two large halls, which will be used for smoking fish, mainly herring and codfish, have been completed. Three more factories which will turn out canned fish, preserved fish, and pickled fish will be in operation within one year. The Sassnitz Fish Combine will also have a large salting plant and its own box and barrel factory. Construction of a fishmeal factory is also planned.

DEVELOPS NEW MACHINE FOR FIBER PLATES -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 2 Dec 50

The Central Technical Office of the Polygraph Federation of People-Owned Enterprises has developed a new fiber plate machine that processes wood chips which had formerly gone to waste. The fiber plates are 1 x 2 meters in surface area, 4-5 millimeters thick, and have an oilcloth-like appearance. The first machines of this kind are being built in the Pama Plant in Freiberg and the Emag Plant in Bautzen, both subsidiaries of the Polygraph Federation.

There is great interest abroad in these installations, which can turn out 8-10 tons of fiber plates in 24 hours. Orders have been placed by Czechoslovakia, and others are expected from Hungary, Rumania, and Poland.

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PRODUCES VETERINARY INSTRUMENTS -- Berlin Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 6 Dec 50

The H. Hauptner Veterinary Instrument Factory in Berlin is the only firm in East Germany producing veterinary instruments, which are in great demand. This firm, which is under trusteeship, is the main supplier of instruments for many animal hospitals. An export order for Poland is being filled at present.

ELECTRIC BULBS OF INFERIOR QUALITY -- Potsdam, Markische Volksstimme, 8 Dec 50

A man who bought a 40-watt electric bulb at an HO (free trade) store complained that the bulb had burned out after only 2 weeks of use. Instead of exchanging the light bulb for him, the store manager told him that he could consider himself lucky that the bulb lasted that long.

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